Statement

SI. No.	Name of Telex	Type capacity	Installed	Working capacity	Working connection
1.	Guwahati	SPC Telex (Electronic)	328 (local) + 212 (Jn.)	311 (local) + 180 (Jn.)	2831 (local) + 180 (Jn.)
2.	Tinsukia	Strowger	60	60	37
3.	Dibrugarh	Strowger	50	50	27
4.	Jorhat	Electronic	40	40	19
5.	Silchar	ITEX "	40	40	17

(b) Details of waiting list of telex is as follows:

Guwahati 15
Tinsukhia ..... Nil
Dibrugarh ..... Nil
Jorhat 8
Silchar 2

(c) The current waiting list will be cleared in Guwahati by August, 1992.

In Jorhat by March, 1993 and in Silchar the two applicants waitlisted are for long distance connections which are not technically feasible at present.

Telephone Connection at Blocks and Panchayats levels in West Bengal and Sikkim

4517. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of Blocks and Panchayat headquarters in West Bengal and Sikkim, covered by telephone services;

(b) whether most of these places are situated in backward, rural and tribal areas; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to connect these areas with telephone facilities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Details are given in the statment *(See* below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government have planned to provide telephone facility to all panchayat Villages including those which are situated in backward and tribal areas by 31st March, 1995 and the remaining no panchayat villages by 2000 A.D. progressively subject to availability of resources.

Statement

Name of the Block and Panchayat Headquarters in West Bengal and Sikkim covered by telephone services.

WEST BENGAL STATE

BANKURA DISTRICT 1. Sonamukhi 2. Patrasayer 3. Kotulpur 4. Indus 5. jaypur 6: Vishnupur 7. Tandangra 8. Simiapal 9. Raipur-I 10. Raipur-II 11. Ranibudh 12. Khatra 13. Khatra 14. Indpun 15. Bankura-I 16. Bankura-II 17. Chhatna 18. "Salbura 19. Majia 20. Barjora 21. Gangajalghari 22. Unda

BIRBHUM DISTRICT 1. Nalhati-I 2. Nalhati-H 3. Murarai-I 4. Murarai-II 5. Mayureswar-I 6. Mayu-reswar-II 7. Rampurhat-I 8. Rampurhat-II 9. Sainthia 10. Dubrajpur 11. Rajnagar 12. Suri-I 13. Suri-II 14. Khoypasol 15. Mohammad Bazar 16. Bolpur Sriniketan 17. Labpur 18. Nanoor 19. Illambazar.

BURDWAN DISTRICT

1. Burdwan 2. Bhator 3. Ausgram-I. 4. Ausgram-II 5. Galsi-II 6. Memari-I 7. Mamari-II 8. Jamalpur 9. Raina-I 10. Raina-H 11. Khandaghosh 12. Purbasthali-I 13. Purbasthali-II 14. Kalna-I 15. Kalna-II 16. Monteswar 17. Mongolkote 18. Ketugram-I 19. Ketugram-II 20. Katwa-I 21. Katwa-II 22. Galsi-I 23. Durgapur/Faridpur 24. Kanksa 25. Ondal 26. Hirapur 27. Salanpur 28. Barbani 29. Raniganj 30. Kulti 31. Asansai 32. Jamuna 33. Jamuria-II.

HOOGHLY DISTRICT

1. Arambagh 2. Khanakul-I

3. Khankul-II 4. Purpura 5. Goghat-I 6. Goghat-II 7. Chanditala-I 8. Chanditala-II 9. Jangipara 10. Serarpura-Uttarpara 11. Polba-Dadpur 12. Dhaniakhali 13. Balagarh 14. Pandua 15. Chinsurah-Magra 16. Singur 17. Haripal 18. Tarakeswar.

MIDNAPORE DISTRICT

1. Jhargram 2. Binpur-I 3. Binpur-II 4. Jambani 5. Mayagram 6. Siinktail 7. Gopiballayepur-I 8. Gopiballaypur-II 9. Potaspur-I 10. Potaspru-II 11. Khejuri-I 12. KhojuriTI 13. Bhagwanpur-I 14. bhagwanpur-II 15. Rammagar-I 16. Rammagar-II 17. Egna-I 18. Egna-II 19. Contai-I 20. Contai-H 21. Contai-III 22. Tamluk-I 23. Tamulk-II 24. Panskure-I 25. Panskura-II 26. Moyna 27. Mahisadal-I 28. Mahisadal-II 29. Nandigram 30. Nandigram-II 31. Nandigram-III 32. Sutahata-I 33. Sutahati-II 34. Dobra 35. Pingla 36. Keshiary 37. Danban-I 38. Dantan-II 39. Narayar angarh 40. Mohanpur 41. Salboni 42. Keshpur 43. Garbeta-I 44. Garbeta-II 45. Garbeta-III 46. Midnapora 47. Sabong 48. Kharagpur-I 49. Khargpur-II 50. Chandrakona-I 51. Chandrakona-II 52. Ghatal 53. Daspur-I 54. Daspur-II.

PURULI DISTRICT

1. Hura 2. Puncha 3. Manbazar-I 4. Manbazar-II 5. Raghunathpur-I 6. Reghunathpur-II 7. Bagmandi 8. Krsha 9. Burdwan 10. Jhalda-I 11. Jhalda-II 12. Metura 13. Kashipur 14. Banturi 15. Fara 16. Purul 17. Purmlia-II 18. Balarampur 19. Jaipur 20. Barahazar.

HOWRAH DISTRICT

1. Shyampur-I 2. Shyampur-II 3. Bagnan-I 4. Bagnan-II 5. Uluberia-I 6. Uluberia-II 7. Udayanarayanpur 8. Amta-I 9. Amta-II 10. Domjur 11. Jagatballaypur 12. Bally Jagacha 13. Sankrail 14. Ranchla.

MURSHIDABAD DISTRICT

1. Kandi 2. Bharltpur-I 3. Bharatpur-II 4. Burwan 5. Khargram 6. Baldanga-I 7. Baldanga-II 8. Noada 9. Hariharpara 10. Domkal 11. Barhampore 12. Jalangi 13. Murshidabad 14. Nabagram 15. Lalgola 16. Raninagar-I 17. Raninagar-II 18. Bhagwangola-I 19. Bhagwangola-II 20. Sagaraighi 21. Farakka 22. Samserganj 23. Suti-I 24. Suti-II 25. Raghunathganj 26. Raghunathaganj-II

HASIA DISTRICT

1. Santipur 2. Ranaghat-I 3. Ranaghat-II 4. Manskhali 5. Chyakdha 6. Haringhata 7. Kaliganj 8. Krishnaganj 9. Karimpur-I 10. Karimpur-II 11. Hakashipara 12. Nabadwip 13. Chapra 14. Tehatta-I 15. Tahatta-II 16. Krishannagar-I 17. Krishnagar-II

DISTRICT-NORTH 24 PARGNAS

1. Habra-I 2. Habra-II 3. Barasat-I 4. Barasat-II 5. Amdanga 6. Beganga 7. Rajarhat 8. Bagda 9. Bongdon 10. Gaighata 11. Dadania 12. Haron 13. Minakhan 14. Swarupnagar 15. Hasnabad 16. Hingalgaoni 17. Sandeshkhali-I 18. Sandeshkhali-II 19. Basirhat-I 20. Basirhat-II. 21. Barrackpur-I 22. Barrackpur-II

DISTRICT-SOUTH 24 PARGANAS

1. Baruipur 2. Bhangar-I 3. Bhangar-II 4. Bishnupur-I 5. Bishnupur-II 6.Sonarpur 7. Budge Budge-I 8. Budge Budge-II 9. Jayanagar-I 10. Jayanagar-II 11. Kultali 12. Canning-I 13. Canning-II 14. Basanti 15. Mohestola 16. Thakurpurkur-Metiabryuz 17. Gosaba 18. Sagar 19. Palta 20. Magrahat-I 21. Magrahat-II 22. Kakdwip-23. Hamkhana 24. Diamond Harbour-I 25. Diamond Harbour-II 26. Hathurapur-I 27. Mathurapur-II 28. Patharpratima 29. Mandirbasa 30. Kulpi

DISTRICT-COOCHBEHAR

1. Dinhata-I 2. Dinhata-II 3. Sitai 4. Tukanganj-I 5. Tufanganj-II 6. Makliganj 7. Haldibari 8. Cooch Behar-I 9. Cooch Behar-II 10. Sitalkuchi 11. Mathabhanga-I 12. Mathabhanga-II

DISTRICT DARJEELING

1. Darjeeling Palhazar 2. Rangli Rangliot 3. Jorebungalow-Sukhiapokhri 4. Ralimpong-I 5. Kalimpong-II 6. Garulathan 7. Siliguri-Maxalhari 8. Khariwari-Phansidewa 9. Harik 10. Kurseong.

DISTRICT JALPAIGURI

1. Jalpaiguri 2. Deynaguri 3. Dhupguri 4. Rajganj 5 Matiali 6. Nagarakata 7. Hai 8. Ummargram 9. Filakata 10. Nadarihat 11. Kalchini 12. Alipurduar-I 13. Alipurduar-II

DISTRICT MALDA

Ratua-I 2. Ratua-II 3. Harischandrapur-I 4. Harischandrapur-II 5. Chanchal-I 6. Chanchal-II 7. Manikchak 8. Gazole 9. Habibpur 10. Ramangola 11. Old Malda 12. English Bazar 13. Kaliachak-I 14. Kaliachak-II 15. Kaliachak-III.

DISTRICT-WEST DINAJPUR

1. Raiganj 2. Kaliaganj 3. Hemtabad 4. Itahar 5. Banshihari 6. Kushmandi 7. Islampur 8. Karandighi 9. Chopra 10. Goalpokhar-I 11. Goalpokhar-II 12. Gangarampur 13. Kumarganj 14. Tapan 15. Balurghat 16. Hili

SIKKIM EAST DISTRICT 1. Central Pendum 2. Kavi 3. Kuluk 4. Makha Bazar 5. Namthana 6. Penland 7. Phensong 8. Phondong 9. Sanbazar 10. Temi Bazar

WEST DISTRICT 1. Barmik Nazar 2. Chakung 3. Dentam 4. Rishi Bazar 5. Yoksum 6. Linchhom

SOUTH DISTRICT 1.

Damthang 2. Sosing

NORTH DISTRICT

1. Chhunjthang 2. Longdom 3. Longtham 4. Yoksum

Encouraging Supply of requirements by Telecom Factories

4518. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Telecom factories at Bombay, Calcutta and Jabalpur have not been encouraging supplies of their requirements from other Public Sector Undertakings;

(b) whether Government propose to direct these factories to encourage maximum supplies from other Public Sector Undertakings;

(c) whether Government have also received representation from public Sector Undertakings in this regard during the last three months; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No. Sir, the Telecom Factories have been following a conscious policy of encouraging supplies from Public Sector Undertakings to meet their stores purchase requirements and have even been giving them price preference as applicable under existing rules.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) No

(d) In view of (c) above, does not arise.

Number and percentage of E.D.As. (Agents) in Postal Department

4519. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number and percentage of E.D.As in postal department;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government consideration to convert E.D.As into departmental employees and make them permanent;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) As on 31.3.91, the number of E.D.As in the postal departmental was 2,98,743 and their percentage was 50.46.

(b) to (d) No, Sir. However in recognition of their association with this Department, they are given preferential treatment in the matter of recruitment in Group 'D'/Postmen Cadres and such